Table 598. Employment Status of Women by Marital Status and Presence and Age of Children: 1970 to 2009

[As of March (7.0 represents 7,000,000). Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC) includes Civilian noninstitutionalized population, 16 years old and over. Based on the Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1 and Appendix III]

	Total			With any children								
Item				Total			Children 6 to 17 years only			Children under 6 years		
		Mar-			Mar-			Mar-			Mar-	
	Single	ried 1	Other ²	Single	ried 1	Other 2	Single	ried 1	Other 2	Single	ried 1	Other 2
IN LABOR FORCE (mil.)												
1970	7.0	18.4	5.9	(NA)	10.2	1.9	(NA)	6.3	1.3	(NA)	3.9	0.6
1980	11.2 14.0	24.9 31.0	8.8 11.2	0.6 1.5	13.7 16.5	3.6 4.2	0.2 0.6	8.4 9.3	2.6 3.0	0.3 0.9	5.2 7.2	1.0 1.2
2000	17.8	35.0	13.2	3.1	18.2	4.5	1.2	10.8	3.4	1.8	7.3	1.1
2005 3	18.6	35.7	14.3	3.4	18.0	4.6	1.4	10.8	3.4	1.9	7.2	1.2
2008 ³	19.9 19.8	37.1 37.5	14.6 14.5	3.5 3.7	17.9 18.0	4.5 4.5	1.5 1.5	10.6 10.8	3.3 3.3	2.0 2.1	7.3 7.2	1.2 1.1
PARTICIPATION												
RATE ⁴ 1970	53.0	40.8	39.1	(NA)	39.7	60.7	(NA)	49.2	66.9	(NA)	30.3	52.2
1980	61.5	50.1	44.0	52.0	54.1	69.4	67.6	61.7	74.6	44.1	45.1	60.3
1990	66.4	58.2	46.8	55.2	66.3	74.2	69.7	73.6	79.7	48.7	58.9	63.6
2000	68.6	62.0	50.2	73.9	70.6	82.7	79.7	77.2	84.9	70.5	62.8	76.6
2005 ³	65.1 64.6	60.2 61.7	49.8	72.9 71.0	68.1 69.4	79.8 79.4	79.7 78.7	75.0 76.2	82.2 81.5	68.5 66.0	59.8 61.6	73.5 73.9
2008 °	63.7	61.7	49.5 49.0	71.0	69.4	79.4 79.2	78.7 78.9	76.2 76.7	83.0	67.8	61.6	69.8
EMPLOYMENT (mil.)												
1970	6.5	17.5	5.6	(NA)	9.6	1.8	(NA)	6.0	1.2	(NA)	3.6	0.6
1980	10.1	23.6	8.2	0.4	12.8	3.3	0.2	8.1	2.4	0.2	4.8	0.9
1990	12.9	29.9	10.5	1.2	15.8	3.8	0.5	8.9	2.7	0.7	6.9	1.1
2000	16.4 17.0	34.0 34.6	12.7 13.5	2.7 2.9	17.6 17.4	4.3 4.3	1.1 1.3	10.6 10.4	3.2 3.2	1.6 1.6	7.1 7.0	1.1 1.1
2008 ³	17.0	35.9	13.8	3.1	17.4	4.3	1.3	10.4	3.2	1.6	7.0	1.1
2009 ³	17.7	35.5	13.2	3.1	17.0	4.0	1.4	10.2	3.0	1.8	6.8	1.0
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE ⁵												
1970	7.1	4.8	4.8	(NA)	6.0	7.2	(NA)	4.8	5.9	(NA)	7.9	9.8
1980	10.3	5.3	6.4	23.2	5.9	9.2	15.6	4.4	7.9	29.2	8.3	12.8
1990	8.2	3.5	5.7	18.4	4.2	8.5	14.5	3.8	7.7	20.8	4.8	10.2
2000	7.3 8.9	2.7 3.0	4.3 5.3	11.0 15.1	2.9 3.1	5.1 6.9	8.7 10.9	2.6 2.9	4.8 5.8	12.6 18.2	3.5 3.4	5.9 9.8
2008 ³	7.6	3.0	5.4	11.5	3.1	6.0	8.3	3.1	5.3	14.0	3.4	8.0
2009 ³	10.5	5.3	8.9	15.4	5.4	11.2	11.9	5.1	9.9	17.9	5.9	15.1

NA Not available. 1 Husband present. 2 Widowed, divorced, or separated (including married, spouse absent). 3 See footnote 2, Table 584. 4 Percent of women in each specific category in the labor force. 5 Unemployed as a percent of civilian labor force in specified group.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bulletin 2307 and unpublished data.

Table 599. Labor Force Participation Rates for Wives, Husband Present, by Age of Own Youngest Child: 1990 to 2008

[As of March. Annual Social and Economic Supplement (ASEC) includes Civilian noninstitutionalized population, 16 years old and over, and military personnel who live in households with at least one other civilian adult. Armed Forces includes only those Armed Forces members living on or off post with their families; all other members of the Armed Forces are excluded. Data refer to persons in primary families. Based on Current Population Survey; see text, Section 1 and Appendix III]

Processes and age of shild							2008 ¹		
Presence and age of child	1990	2000 ¹	2005 1	2007	Total	White 2	Black 2	Asian 2, 3 l	Hispanic ⁴
Wives, total	58.3	62.2	60.4	61.8	61.9	61.4	67.5	63.0	55.0
No children under 18 years	51.1	54.8	54.1	55.7	56.1	55.6	59.2	58.9	52.2
With children under 18 years	66.5	70.9	68.3	69.4	69.7	69.2	77.3	66.6	56.6
Under 6 years, total	59.1	63.1	60.3	61.6	62.0	61.4	70.2	59.3	48.0
Under 3 years	55.9	59.4	57.3	58.8	59.1	59.0	61.9	57.9	44.6
1 year or under	53.9	58.4	55.8	57.8	58.9	58.9	61.2	57.8	43.7
2 years	60.9	61.9	60.8	61.4	59.5	59.1	63.9	58.3	46.4
3 to 5 years	64.1	68.6	64.8	65.6	66.3	65.1	81.0	61.0	52.6
3 years	63.0	66.0	62.7	64.4	65.3	63.5	84.6	63.9	52.8
4 years	65.0	69.6	64.9	63.4	66.5	65.2	82.1	59.9	50.2
5 years	64.4	70.7	67.5	69.4	67.2	66.8	75.9	58.5	55.5
6 to 13 years	73.1	76.0	73.2	74.5	74.8	74.4	82.5	69.9	65.9
14 to 17 years	75.0	80.8	79.6	79.8	79.2	78.9	82.2	79.5	66.1

¹ See footnote 2, Table 584. 2 Beginning 2003, for persons in this race group only. See footnote 4, Table 585. 3 Excludes Pacific Islanders. 4 Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin may be any race.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Bulletin 2307 and unpublished data.